



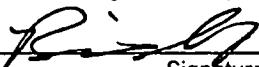
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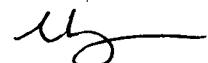
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2006, Applicants request entry of the following amendments. As explained in the remarks below, Applicants believe the following amendments place the application in condition for allowance.

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